**NRIBS Mission Statement**

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**The Northern Rockies IB Schools (NRIBS) foster a collaborative environment for all of its members in order to advocate access to an internationally minded, inquiry-based education for all students. The aim of NRIBS is to facilitate and encourage professional exchanges among IB PYP, MYP and Diploma schools and support their unique needs. To this end we:**

* Facilitate quality program development, curriculum improvement, and effective implementation of IB programs through a cooperative exchange.
* Support staff development and training in conjunction with the International Baccalaureate Organization for teachers, coordinators and administrators.
* Provide centralized communication for all member programs with regards to general policy, concerns, needs and ideas.
* Foster formal recognition of the International Baccalaureate programs by our regional university and college systems.